

DECLARATION

We, **Doris REICH** and **Steffen WUENSCH**, hereby declare as follows:

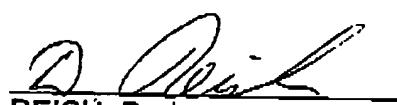
We are all of the inventors of the subject matter of United States Patent Application Serial No.: 10/517,417. We are aware that in connection with the subject United States Patent Application, an Office Action was issued in which Claims 1, 3, 4, 6-10 were rejected as being anticipated by US 6,514,131 B1. Specific reference was made to Figures 1, 2 and their descriptions equivalent.

The said pending application Serial No.: 10/517,417 lists certain inventors in addition to us.

We herewith state that as applicants of the pending Application Serial No. 10/517,417, we are the inventors of the subject matter thereof. Any invention disclosed but not claimed in the reference was derived from the inventors of this application and thus not the invention "by another".

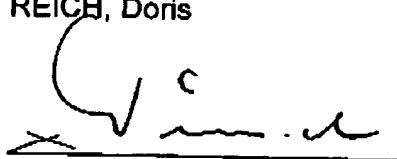
We hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that those statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Dated: 14.03.06



REICH, Doris

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WUENSCH, Steffen